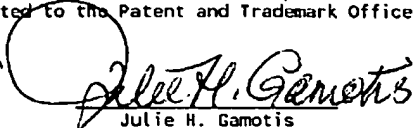


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AMENDMENT

To the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Sir:

In response to the Decision on Request for Rehearing of the
Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (Board) mailed May 31,
2005 and the Decision on Appeal mailed January 12, 2005, kindly
amend the application as follows:

Kindly enter and approve the following, which is a clean
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